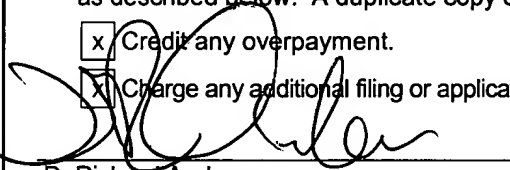




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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 16, 2006, finally rejecting claims 8-23, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.